

Blossom Park School and School Council Updates

March 2024

School Council

- **Mme Shohdy's Requests**

- Mme Shohdy was grateful upon learning that the council approved setting aside \$250 for the winners of the Art Contest. She will start purchasing the prizes by mid-May.
- The Bulletin Board contest will be after Ramadan and Eid by mid-April. We will purchase the Freezies for the three winning classes. The amount of \$25 was set aside for that at our previous meeting.

- **Winter Carnival**

- All parent members approved via email exchange spending \$73.47 for the Winter Carnival cups and 2 cans of hot chocolate mix.
- Tim Hortons agreed to donate a 70-cup karafe of hot chocolate.
- More hot chocolate mix was needed for the Carnival. Two more cans were dropped off at school. The amount of \$29.98 was approved by all the parent members via email.

- **Parent Workshop**

- The parent workshop took place, as planned, on March 4th.
- Total number of attendees was 14, including the school's social worker and our MLO.
- We needed 2 EA's to take care of the 18 attending kids.
- A feedback form and additional resources were sent to the participants the next day.
- Susan paid Family Services Ottawa \$520 via e-transfer from her personal account and got reimbursed for the amount by the council.
- A PRO Grant report about the event was sent to the OCDSB.

- **[March 27th Financial Report](#)**

Principal's Report

Activities Debrief

- The MF7/8 class enjoyed their learning with the Junior Achievers visit on Feb 20 and 22.
- Ms Shohdy and Mme Chivot shared a beautiful compilation of artwork from all classes in the form of a Winter Art show slides on February 26.
- Ms Dykes and her team ran a fabulous Winter Carnival on March 5th. It was a great day of outdoor fun for all students and staff. Intermediate students were great “team leaders”!
- Junior and Intermediate students enjoyed a dynamic presentation with author Kenneth Oppel on March 19. We received great feedback about his presentation by teachers and students alike!

Upcoming Engaging Activities at BPPS

- MF7/8 class will host a small group of high school students from Ridgemont HS to work on coding.
- YouthNet will present a “Stress Less” presentation to all our intermediate classes on March 28 and April 4. This is a workshop about what stress is, how to locate stress, and how to manage stress.
- The STEAM activity day that was scheduled for March 20th for Intermediate classes has been postponed to April 16. More details will follow about this day of Experiential Learning

2024 Student Survey

Families received an email from the OCDSB Communications account regarding the Student Survey that the school board is conducting from April 11th to May 10th. This is a voluntary survey. Students in grades 7 to 12 are also invited to participate. Caregivers of students in grades 7 to 12 who **do NOT want their child to participate, must complete and submit [this form by April 3, 2024](#)**.

More information about the survey is included in the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) (FAQs). If you have other questions or are looking for additional information please visit ocdsb.ca/studentsurvey.